

Regina Caeli Catholic Church

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Tues, Wed, Thurs, 9.30am - 2.30pm

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Fr Matthew Tonini O.Carm, Associate Pastor

Fr Albino Dos Santos O.Carm, Associate Pastor

NORMAL MASS TIMES

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 7.30am

Wednesday 9am

Mass of Healing

1st Wed of the month 9am

Reconciliation

5.30pm Saturday / or by appt.



MASS TIMES

Rosary: every
Tues @ 8am

1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
~ YEAR B ~ DECEMBER 3, 2023

GATHERING

D BROWNE, J WOOD ADVENT SONG

Refrain: Gather in hope, people of God.

*Sing the Advent song! Song of faith, song of trust,
a song to welcome the Christ.*



V1 Let the warmth of our love, like the long
summer days, prepare the way of the Lord,
prepare the way of the Lord.

Let our will for justice, as strong as the sun, prepare
the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord. *Refrain:*

V4 Stand alert and be ready to welcome the Christ.

Prepare the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord.

Let this be our pray'r as we lift up our hearts: prepare
the way of the Lord, prepare the way of the Lord. *Refrain:*

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE M HAUGEN GIFT OF GOD

R/- Come to us, O, Emmanuel. Come to us, O, Emmanuel.
Come to us, O, Emmanuel. Come to us, O, Emmanuel.

V1 Shake the nations with your presence;

Make the mountains quake and tremble:

Rend the heavens and comedown. R/-

V2 See us here, we are people: We the clay, and you
the potter: You have formed us-we are yours. R/-

V3 Speak the word of hope and comfort: Cry the song
of sweet forgiveness: O Jerusalem, take heart. R/-

OFFERTORY M HAUGEN EYE HAS NOT SEEN

Refrain: Eye has not seen,

*ear has not heard what God has ready
for those who love him;*

*Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus,
teach us the wisdom of God.*

V3 To those who see with eyes of faith,
the Lord is ever near, reflected in the faces
of all the poor and lowly of the world. *Refrain:*

V4 We sing a mystery from the past in halls
where saints have trod, yet ever new the music rings
to Jesus, Living Song of God. *Refrain:*

COMMUNION T MANION I LIFT UP MY SOUL

Refrain: To you, Lord, I lift up my soul, O my God. x2

V1 Lord, show your ways to me. Teach me your paths
and keep me in the ways of your truth,
for you are the God that saves me. *Refrain:*

cont/- V3 All day long I hope in your goodness.
Remember your love,
the love that you promised long ago,
and the kindness that you gave from of old. *Refrain:*

REFLECTION C LANDRY WAITING IN SILENCE

V1 Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people, we long for you, Lord.
God, ever with us, Emmanuel.
Come Lord Jesus. Maranatha!

V2 Waiting in silence, waiting in hope,
we are your people, we trust in your love.
O Sun of Justice, true Prince of Peace,
Come with your justice, Lord. Maranatha!

RECESSIONAL B FARRELL COME TO SET US FREE

*Refrain: Come to set us free, come to make us your own.
Come to show the way to our people, your chosen.*

Open our lives to the light of your promise.

*Come to our hearts with healing, come to our minds
with power, come to us and bring us your life.*

V1 You are light which shines in darkness,
Morning Star which never sets.

Open our eyes which only dimly see,
The truth which sets us free. *Refrain:*

V2 You are hope which brings us courage,
You are strength which never fails.

Open our minds to ways we do not know,
But where your Spirit grows. *Refrain:*

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CELEBRATIONS OF SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING & SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION THIS ADVENT! REGINA CAELI ~

ALL ARE WELCOME TO A COMBINED...

*'Mass of Anointing and
Mass of Reconciliation' ahead of Christmas
Wed Dec 6 @ 9am (morning tea afterwards)*

FIRST RITE OF RECONCILIATION celebrated weekly at:
Regina Caeli ~ All Saturdays 5.30 - 6pm

Mt Carmel ~ Saturdays 4.30 - 5pm

Mass of Forgiveness ~ Mt Carmel, Wed Dec 20 @ 7pm



...to all who support Regina Caeli in any way, be it practically or financially, all assistance is valued important & vital to sustain our parish of the future. **For new practical helpers contact p/office.**

To offer financial support contact office or you may donate online. Details for EFT:

Payee Account Name: Coorparoo Heights Parish
BSB 064 786 A/c 100013354 please ref all donations:

Giftng App downloadable <http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/>



Should you require a priest for anything at all, need loved ones receive Sacrament of Healing, want to visit Reconciliation, unable to attend Mass but wish to receive Communion, enquiring about RCIA/RCIC, Funerals, Weddings or Baptism, Sacrament preparation or perhaps volunteer, *need transport to attend Masses; for any Sacramental needs or any enquiries, please contact parish office.*

FYI Regina Caeli delivers newsletters to those who find themselves isolated & unable to visit parish. Please contact parish office with any concerns!



On 2nd Monday of month @ 9.30am ~ **Literary Group**



On every Tuesday @ 8am ~ **Rosary**
On every Wednesday @ 9am ~ **Mass**
On 4th Friday of month @ 6.30pm ~ the 'Cliffsters' return in 2024
On each 1st & 3rd Friday of month ~ 'Friday Fortnight' in the hall @ 9.30am

Sun Dec 3: 1st Sunday In Advent Year B

Tues Dec 5: Rosary @ 8am

Wed Dec 6: Healing & Reconciliation Mass, M/Tea @ 9am

Sun Dec 10: 2nd Sunday In Advent Year B

Sun Dec 10: Christmas Season Celebration @ 5pm

Tues Dec 12: Rosary @ 8am **Wed Dec 13:** Mass, @ 9am

Sun Dec 17: 3rd Sunday In Advent Year B

Tues Dec 19: Rosary @ 8am

Wed Dec 20: Mass @ 9am

Sat Dec 23: **NO 6pm Vigil Mass**

Sun Dec 24: 4th Sunday In Advent Yr B, 7.30am



LOOKING AHEAD! The Catholic Leader, will, in Jan 2024, be a...

subscriber only communication.

No newspapers will be sold at parishes.

Subscribers will receive their monthly 'paper,' directly to letterbox. It's essential

to continue support of our Catholic Leader. To assist in transition The Catholic Leader has a special offer of introduction. **It's definitely worthy of consideration.**

Your Catholic news free until this Christmas when you subscribe for 2024



RECENTLY DECEASED: JOHN MOFFETT, MARIE TAYLOR, LYNETTE CHOE, KATHLEEN BEVIS, ANNIE TOM

IN OUR PRAYERS: ROY GLEADHILL, BART GAFFNEY,

CLARE HAMMOND, MARY HAZEL, LUCY HOUGHTON, JACK & JOY MCNAMARA, MARGARET OWEN, DAVID PARKER, WALLY & JOYCE SMITH;

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

SPECIAL INTENTIONS: JOSHUA CHESTER, VERONICA & CATHY

COMISKEY, GINA D'ALLURA, BRIAN & THERA HARDING, PAUL HEATHWOOD, ALLAURA HOWS, KATH KEOGH, NICKY LOGAN, TRISH MCCONNELL, FR RON MOLLISON, PETER OWEN, PETER REID, LESTER STEEN, NATHANIEL WILLIAMS, PAT WEIR, ZELINA



All are welcome to our parish, **'CHRISTMAS' SEASON CELEBRATION** SUNDAY DECEMBER 10 @ 5PM

Let us take time to be grateful for the year that was and time to thank our wonderful parishioners for contributing their presence, their time and talents in so many ways.

Christmas Season Celebration



Come along for a

Christmas Season Celebration

in the Parish Hall and surrounds

Sunday 10th Dec, 5pm - 7:30pm



- BYO Light Food and Drinks
- Coffee & Tea provided
- No charge
- Music and good cheer with fellow parishioners



The Advent Wreath



is a traditional part of the Advent season.

The **circle** is a symbol of eternity & reminder that God has no beginning or end & the inclusion of the evergreens symbolises eternal life.

Fastened to the wreath are **4 candles, 3 purple, 1 pink**, representing the 4 weeks of Advent. The gradual lighting of all the candles each week represents the increasing light of Christ as his coming draws near & provides a focus for our reflections each week. There is a **5th**, & final, candle to be lit. Known as "**Christ's candle**", this **white** candle is placed in the middle of the Advent Wreath and lit on Christmas Day to represent the pure light of Jesus, who come on Christmas day as a baby in a manger.

Advent week 1: 1st candle, purple represents HOPE.

Prayer: *God of Love, Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of your love. Help us to walk with one another with compassion & kindness, during the weeks of Advent. May our love for one another bring hope to those who despair. We pray this through your Son, Jesus. Amen.*

Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening, and selection of all of our employees and volunteers and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe & healthy ministry environment.

Privacy policy: The privacy of all individuals is important to Regina Caeli Parish, and we are committed to protecting all personal information we collect and hold.



Our privacy policy is available on archdiocesan website or request a copy from parish office.

<http://brisbane.catholic.org.au>

" Mogens Johansen is Regina Caeli Safeguarding representative. Mogens can be contacted by email at mamo4711@icloud.com or (m) 0400 948 079."

IMPORTANT!!!

All volunteers are required by Archdiocese to be suitably

inducted as volunteers. Part of this compliance is asking all volunteers to familiarise



themselves with 'best practice,' hence the Archdiocese asks that all volunteers fill out your details & return & watch a short video.

For [Safeguarding Essentials \(Level 1\) video](#)

visit AOB website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au>

Follow prompts of: Menu, Safeguarding, Safeguarding Training or follow the link

<https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/safeguarding/safeguarding-training/>

Important News from the Carmelites...

Following the Carmelite Provincial Council meeting last week we announce that Fr Albino Dos Santos will be leaving our Coorparoo Carmelite Community to join our Carmelite Community, of Wentworthville. Since moving to Coorparoo twelve months ago, Fr Albino has brought a sense of joy, care and pastoral concern to the community through his ministry as a Carmelite and priest.

He has supported the ministry of St Vincent de Paul & the Lay Carmelites, ministry to parish aged care communities, outreach to the local Timorese community, and celebrated masses for the Mt Carmel and Regina Caeli Communities, among the many ways he has generously shared of himself through ministry and friendship in Coorparoo.

This decision to move has been made amidst pressing community and pastoral needs in Wentworthville Community and we acknowledge that this will bring some disappointment and sadness to the people of Mt Carmel and Regina Caeli parish communities, who have come to value the gifts and relationships Fr Albino has shared. It is because of Fr Albino's caring and gentle pastoral presence that we have chosen him to serve the needs in the Wentworthville Community, a decision that we are grateful, he has generously accepted. Fr Albino will leave Coorparoo in late January to take up his ministry in Wentworthville at the beginning of February, who we are sure will gratefully receive his presence. I trust that the community will express their gratitude for Albino with their farewells. We wish him well in his new community at Wentworthville. In addition, Br Marcolino Gomes, will join the Coorparoo Community in February 2024.

Marco is currently living in our Middle Park Community in Victoria and serving as a deacon in the Port Melbourne/Middle Park parish.

We are sure he will be embraced with welcome on his arrival in Coorparoo and will bring great enthusiasm to the Carmelites ministry of pastoral care.

We wish him well in his new community at Coorparoo.

In Carmel,

Fr Bruce Clark and the Provincial Council

Next week is last weekend available



TO DONATE GOODIES TO ASSIST WITH VINNIES CHRISTMAS HAMPERS FOR THOSE WHO WILL FIND CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS A CHALLENGE THIS YEAR.

Regina Caeli Parish has historically assisted other parishes in many ways with hamper preparation.

Hamper preparers are seeking non-perishable food items and toys that are suitable to be included in hampers. Please don't wrap toys and ensure all food items are **in date** for Dec 2023 at least.

Please deliver 'GOODS' to Parish by no later than **Sun Dec 10 at 7.30am Mass**. All will be onforwarded on **Mon Dec 11**.

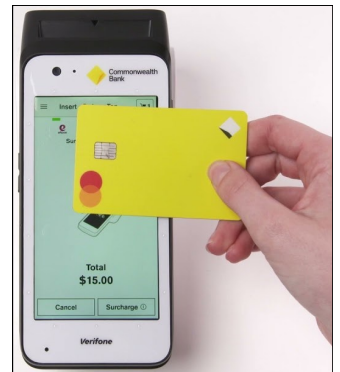


Regina Caeli has introduced a **Pay Pass** facility for donations. Parishioners & visitors may select a 'preset \$ value: of \$5, \$10 or \$20 or any amount of their choosing. This will allow parishioners & potential donors to not rely solely on cash in hand to support our wonderful parish. There **is always & will be always**

opportunity to donate cash over the plate if persons so desire.

Parish will assist all parishioners become comfortable with the system.

'Smart Terminal' located on stand in foyer.



As there will be some alterations to Masses on w/end of Sat/Sun December 23/24 for Regina Caeli & Mt Carmel, prior to Celebration of Christmas services, Mass Times have been provided ahead of time.

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| Our Lady of Mt Carmel 312 Cavendish Rd | Regina Caeli Church 81 Waverley Road |
| Saturday Vigil Mass 23 December | |
| 6:00pm | NO VIGIL MASS |
| Sunday Mass 24 December | |
| NO MORNING MASS | 7:30am |
| CHRISTMAS Eve Sunday 24 December | |
| 5:00pm Family Mass (Shed) 8:00pm | 6:00pm |
| CHRISTMAS DAY Monday 25 December | |
| 8:30am | 7:30am |

Sunday Mass

3 December 2023

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
*Oh that you would tear the heavens apart
and come down.*

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
Our Redeemer is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways
and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would
tear the heavens open and come down -
at your Presence the mountains would melt.
No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you
act like this for those who trust him. You guide those
who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind.
You were angry when we were sinners; we had long
been rebels against you. We were all like men
unclean, all that integrity of ours is like filthy clothing.
We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us
away like the wind. No one invoked your name
or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid
your face from us and gave us up to the power
of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work
of your hand.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 79:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

**R. Lord, make us turn to you,
let us see your face and we shall be saved.**

Lector: O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.

O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **R.**

Lector: God of hosts, turn again,
we implore, look down from heaven
and see, Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

Lector: May your hand be on the man you have
chosen, the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians
The revelation we looked for, Christ Jesus our Lord.

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send
you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God
for all the graces you have received through Jesus
Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched
in so many ways, especially in your teachers and
preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been

strong among you so that you will not be without any
of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our
Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you
steady and without blame until the last day, the day
of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you
has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is
faithful.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation. **Alleluia!**

Gospel

Mark 13:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay
awake, because you never know when the time will
come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone
from home, and left his servants in charge, each with
his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay
awake. So stay awake, because you do not know
when the master of the house is coming, evening,
midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly,
he must not find you asleep.

And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Ready for His Return

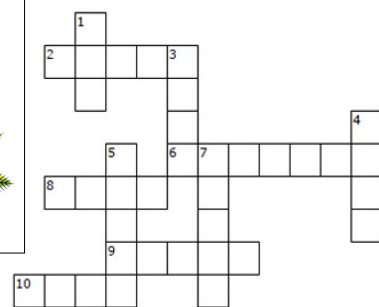
"Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will
come." Mark 13:33 (NIV)

Based on Mark 13:32-37 (NIV)



What time
is it?

**Template
to make
Advent
Wreath
in foyer!**



ACROSS

- 2. To keep an eye on; to guard
- 6. An adult male chicken
- 8. To have information about something; to be aware of something
- 9. To be in a period of rest such as when we go to bed at night
- 10. A particular moment in the day, such as eight o'clock

DOWN

- 1. A period of 24 hours
- 3. A period of sixty minutes
- 4. The loud cry of an adult male chicken
- 5. The place where a person or family lives
- 7. The person who has something such as property

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| HOUR | DAY | WATCH | OWNER | KNOW |
| CROW | TIME | ROOSTER | SLEEP | HOUSE |

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